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Employment under MGNREGS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of workers provided employment and mandays generated under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
(b) the funds released and utilised under the scheme during the said period, State/ UT-wise;
(c) whether some States have not fully utilised the funds and if so, the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;
(d) the average mandays generated under the scheme during the said period, State/UT-wise; and
(e) the reaction of the Government to the progress made under the scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a): Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) is a demand-driven wage employment programme. Not less than 100 days of employment are provided to registered workers upon receipt of their demand. State/UT-wise details of households demanded employment, employment provided and persondays generated during the last three years and the current year are indicated in the Annexure-I.

(b)&(c): The Central share of programme funds under MGNREGA is released to the States/UTs on the basis of labour demand projected in the respective labour budgets. Utilisation of funds under MGNREGA depends on the actual demand for wage employment in the implementing State/UTs. The State/UT-wise details of central release and expenditure under MGNREGA during each of the last three years and current year are at Annexure-II.

(d): State-wise details of average man-days generated under the MGNREGA during the last three years and the current year are given in Annexure-III.

(e): During the review of the progress of implementation of the MGNREGS, the strengthening the planning, technical supervision, capacity building, disbursing systems and social audits have been identified as areas for improvement. Towards this, the major steps taken are given in Annexure-IV.

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